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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6784 NOTE PREPARED: Feb 28, 2006
BILL NUMBER: HB 1128 BILL AMENDED: Feb 28, 2006

SUBJECT: Ignition Interlock Devices.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Duncan

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 2nd House

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Wyss

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

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Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill provides that when a court grants probationary driving privileges to certain persons, the order must include the requirement that for six months the person may not operate a motor vehicle unless: (1) the motor vehicle is equipped with a functioning certified ignition interlock device; or (2) the person is successfully participating in a court-supervised alcohol treatment program involving disulfiram (antabuse) or a similar substance. It requires a person who is not indigent to pay the costs of the ignition interlock program.

Effective Date: July 1, 2006.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: (Revised) An ignition interlock device is an in-car alcohol breath screening device that prevents a vehicle from starting if it detects a blood alcohol concentration over a pre-set limit. The device is located inside the vehicle near the driver's seat and is connected to the engine's ignition system. The cost of installing an ignition interlock device is \$70, and the monthly cost of monitoring and calibrating is \$90.

Persons found by the sentencing court to be indigent would not be required to pay the full costs of an ignition interlock installation or operation. Payment arrangements are generally made between the person ordered to have an ignition interlock system installed and the company providing the ignition interlock system.

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The Bureau of Motor Vehicles reported the number of probationary DUI licenses issued between 2003 and 2005 as the following.

Probationary DUI Licenses Issued by CY		
2003	2004	2005*
8,111	7,936	6,985
* As of December 15, 2005.		

Courts in Allen and Vanderburgh Counties both use programs requiring persons who have probationary DUI licenses to participate in court-supervised alcohol treatment programs involving disulfiram (antabuse).

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts.

Information Sources: Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

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